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HORISME TERSATA D. & S. (LEP.: GEOMETRIDAE), THE FERN CARPET, IN SHROPSHIRE – I found a single male of this species at rest on a shop window in Bridgnorth, south-east Shropshire, on 30.vii.1987. It has not previously been recorded in the county.

The foodplant, traveller's-joy (*Clematis vitalba*), is very common along many parts of the Shropshire portion of the Severn valley and, like *Eupithecia haworthiata* Doubl. (Haworht's pug) which feeds on the same plant, *tersata* is probably well established in these areas. ADRIAN M. RILEY, Entomology Department, Rothamsted Experimental Station, Harpenden, Herts., AL5 2JQ.

EPITRIX PUBESCENS KOCH (COL.: CHRYSOMELIDAE) IN WEST KENT – This very local flea-beetle, known from a number of localities in East Kent, Essex, Suffolk etc., is more often recorded than formerly, but, it seems, West Kent still lacks a record. I found it sparingly on a straggling mass of woody nightshade (*Solanum dulcamara*), where it was greatly outnumbered by the common *Psylliodes affinis* Payk., in a lane leading to the saltmarshes at Crayford Creek near Dartford, on 13.vii.84 and subsequently.

In recording *E. pubescens* from W. Norfolk (*Ent. Rec.* 96: 36-7) I inadvertently wrote as though *Solanum nigrum* were its sole foodplant; or at least my words could have been so construed. This of course is not the case, the beetle living equally on both species of nightshade. – A. A. ALLEN, 49 Montcalm Road, London, SE7.